

I Will Go and Do, Not Knowing Beforehand

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1 Nephi 3:7- "... I will go and do the things which the Lord hath commanded..."

1 Nephi 4:6-7 "And I was led by the Spirit, not knowing beforehand the things which I should do. Nevertheless, I went forth..."

- "I need a song..." The beginning

Do you believe the Lord?

It feels much easier to devote your faith to something "impossible" when it pertains to the Temple. No doubt things will work out! Can you muster the same faith and confidence when faced with the "impossible" in your home?

- A test of priorities (Help me to not panic!)

"Sacrifice does indeed bring forth the blessings of heaven, because sacrifice is a law of heaven."

- Keep your Covenants- tighten your standards
- Stake Conference and the Consolation Prize
- Lock box

Ether 12:6- "...dispute not because you see not, for ye receive no witness until after the trial of your faith."

- JUMP vs. I can't do this!
- Temporal focus = overwhelmed

- Being Redeemed and Enabled

"I sing because I'm happy; I sing because I'm free, for His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me." -hymn "His Eye is On the Sparrow"

- Isaac's story
- Spurt Girl

Angels above us are more than silent notes taking.

- We are team teachers with Heavenly Father.

"I'm talking about praying to our Heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus Christ, for those on the other side to be "dispatched" to assist us." - Elder Jeffery R. Holland

Opposition in all things

- Julie Jackson
- Lock jaw

Course correction, when you feel otherwise

- Faith to receive correction
- Faith in obedience to leaders
- Unused effort does not equal failure
- Imposing my own agenda/schedule

Lyrics to the Finale

"I Have a Mission/We the People"

"I have a mission for this day;

A righteous cause to bring forth.

But how can I perform this great work?

I am weak, and I question my worth.

I cannot see the way before,

But with faith my feet are shod.

I will face each new test and give it my best

In this nation under God."

We the people of this generation,

Chosen for these latter-days.

Staying worthy to enter the Temple of God,

Where we worship and give praise.

Grateful that we know the Plan of Salvation;

Holding to the iron rod.

Turning hearts to our Fathers as prophesied,

Leading each one back to God.

We have a temple of our own,

A sacred place where I can go

To learn the things of eternity;

To find peace, where I find strength to grow.

These are the last days I live in,

But with faith my feet

So I'll face each new test since I have been blessed

With a Temple of our God.

We'll sing and we'll shout

With the armies of Heaven.

Hosanna! Hosanna!

To God and the Lamb!

Let glory to them

In the highest be given

Hence forth and forever,

Amen and Amen!

Hence forth and forever,

Amen and Amen!

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